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## THREE THOUSAND AT RYMAN AUDITORIUM

Despite Cold Weather Mass Meeting in Interest of Y. M. C. A., Big Success

Able Addresses Delivered by Prominent White Citizens in Interest of Negro Y.—Davis Juvenile Band Furnished Music—Mayor Ewing Speaks

A mass meeting was held at Ryman Auditorium Sunday afternoon the significance of which, it is believed, has not been equaled by any event that has taken place in the entire five years' history of the local Negro Y. M. C. A. Fully 2,000 people were present, a large number of whom were white friends, although the weather was biting cold. Some of the most prominent citizens of Nashville delivered addresses. Included in this list were Major Robt. Ewing, J. H. Allison, W. D. Weatherford, E. B. Stahlman, J. A. Cayce, Arch Trawick and S. W. McGill. Chairman H. A. Boyd of the committee of management of the colored association presided over the meeting, and there were musical selections by the Davis Juvenile Band from Lebanon. The chorus singing was conducted by A. G. Price. At the conclusion of speaking persons in the audience laid on the table a collection of more than three hundred dollars and many others gave pledges. The money is to be added to the fund being raised among the colored people for the purpose of equipping the Duncan Hotel, the newly acquired property of the colored Y. M. C. A., for association needs.

After the meeting was over it was declared by numerous prominent men that the presence of the white citizens, who spoke, and their words of encouragement toward the movement, together with the presence of so large a number of white people to witness the program, was a great stimulus to the Negroes of Nashville and would be most fruitful in adding renewed impetus to the movement.

Mayor Ewing stated that he appeared at the meeting in his official capacity as mayor of the city of Nashville to wish the movement God-speed. "We need your co-operation and you need ours, and if the Y. M. C. A. is good for white boys it is good for Negro boys. We are your friends, but you must continue to show that the tremendous advance which you have made as a race was not by accident. We are going to help you and we want every honest mother and father among you to do your part. You should get behind the movement and give it the right kind of support, moral support as well as financial. We cannot do for you what you can do for yourselves. This movement means the elevation of the colored race, and I congratulate you on the start which you have made. I stand ready to help you."

"I think you have done enough for yourselves to show to the sympathy, good will and assistance of Nashville. I cannot do much, but you shall have my help and co-operation in putting this proposition over," declared Maj. E. B. Stahlman. In his talk Maj. Stahlman said further that great credit was due the committee of colored men who have had charge of the work from its conception. "Credit is also due the colored people of Nashville in general, for they have been working zealously to secure a building for their boys and young men. While some may say that this is not the proper time to raise the money for a Negro Y. M. C. A. building, it is a good time to start it. I hope the work will go on and that it may be successful." He also paid a tribute to the association movement as a safeguard to the morals of young men.

Determined to Win Says S. W. McGill. General Secretary S. W. McGill, in his address declared that two objections had been raised in connection with the Negro campaign. "One has been that it can't be done and the other is that this is not the time," he stated. To the first objection Mr. McGill answered, "We've already got the Negro building." He declared in answer to the second objection, "Now that we have it, we're going to put it over. It's going to be a hard fight, but we're going to fight together, and we are going to win."

Mr. McGill told something of the plans for completion of the project. Mr. Arch Trawick, chairman of the joint committee having in charge the Negro work, stated that he had received many letters from in and out of Nashville, praising the movement to provide for the Negroes a Y. M. C. A. building. "Nashville is proud of her 35,000 colored citizens and it is the duty of us all to stand together in making this a better city. Your white friends are going to remain with you until this job is completed," he declared.

"God helps those who help themselves," declared Mr. J. H. Allison, in speaking to the colored people. He referred to the advantages in advertising and in other ways which Fisk University has given to Nashville through the famous jubilee singers. "The north and east speak of Nashville as the home of Andrew Jackson and of Fisk University," he said. "It would be well for the Negro Y. M. C. A. to have such a reputation. The social center that this

work may build up for the colored people could be made of untold benefit to your race and a great advantage to Nashville," said Mr. Allison. He said that the Tennessee and American stands ready to help in the movement.

Mr. J. A. Cayce followed Mr. Allison, and said he was glad to have the opportunity to express his interest in the colored Y. M. C. A. He stated that the Duncan Hotel property makes an ideal location for the headquarters for the colored men. He pledged his support.

Two Races Bound by Inseparable Ties.

Dr. W. D. Weatherford was introduced, and declared that whatever affects the white people affects the colored people. They are inseparably tied together and must work together in forming the morals of the citizenship. He urged that the colored people should do their share, and said that the white people will do theirs. He said the Christian white people are behind the movement.

Seated on the rostrum were many prominent citizens among whom were Presidents F. A. McKenzie of Fisk and W. J. Hale of the A. & I. State Normal.

Dr. George W. Hubbard, president of Meharry Medical College, was the first to make a contribution after the speaking. He gave for Meharry \$100 to the cause.

Captains of Ladies' Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. Who Made Reports Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. N. Sanders	\$20.25
Mrs. Preston Taylor	20.00
Mrs. M. H. Flowers	10.00
Miss Amanda V. Johnson	10.00
Miss M. B. Starnes	7.50
Mrs. A. B. Morris	4.50
Mrs. D. Wellington Berry	4.25
Mrs. Clemmie White	2.00
Mrs. J. D. Chavis	1.00
Mrs. Sarah Grady for Mrs. Geo. E. Haynes	1.00

Total amount reported \$30.50. Names and amount of members of teams will probably appear at a later date.

Organizations, Institutions and Churches Who Subscribed and Paid.

Chauvess' Protective Association	\$50.00
(balance on a one hundred dollar subscription.)	
Tulane Hotel Waiters	12.00
Lilly of Valley Fifth Avenue Baptist Church	10.00
Hermitage Hotel waiters	6.51
Ladies' Auxiliary of the Railway Protective Association	5.00

Individuals Who Paid.

\$25.00 Subscribers.  
T. Clay Moore paid in full; Humphrey Bowling, \$12.50; Prof. F. N. Green \$5 balance; S. H. Killebrew, \$6 balance; John B. Cook, \$1, total of \$6; Rev. H. M. Burns, \$5.00. The first two mentioned had previously paid their \$25 pledges, this being a payment on a renewal for another twenty-five dollars. Rev. Mr. Burns subscribed \$25 Sunday, paying \$5.00 down.

\$15 Subscribers: Lawyer J. P. Rhines, \$2.50, total of \$14.50. \$10.50 Subscribers: E. L. Price, \$5.50 balance due. \$10.00 Subscribers: Mrs. J. C. Napier, paid in full; Jack Barnes paid \$5. G. W. Frazier, \$1. \$5.00 Subscribers: W. W. Williams paid in full; A. W. Brown \$1; Edward McGavock, 50c.

\$3.00 Subscribers: Mrs. Hattie Rhodes paid in full. \$1.00 Subscribers: Robert C. Eason, Jr. paid in full.

Commenting on the cash collection for the day Chairman Boyd said that while it did not come up to his expectations, he felt considerably encouraged over the outlook for the future now that the women have taken a hand in the work. He also charged the heads of the various clubs to continue their efforts in the direction of collecting the promised subscriptions.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting Sunday at 4:00 p. m. in the new home of the association will be for both men and women. Further plans for securing the co-operation of the ladies will be considered along with some other important phases of the work. Come early. Meeting will be only one hour in duration.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. "The Approachableness of Jesus" will be the subject of Rev. W. S. Ellington's discourse Sunday morning. This will be the beginning of a series of revival meetings. Preaching every night. Rev. H. M. Burns, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, will assist.

Mr. Dock Simmons of Tremont Avenue, who has been indisposed for several days is convalescent.



NEWSPAPER REPRESENTATIVES AT FISK UNIVERSITY.

Newspaper representatives in Twelfth Annual Session at Nashville, Tenn. Photo made on the steps of Bennett Hall Fisk University after they had been entertained by President McKenzie, faculty and students. They are named according to number.

1. Dr. M. E. Ford.
2. Mr. W. L. Porter.
3. Dr. A. M. Townsend.
4. Mr. F. M. Roberts.

5. Dr. R. H. Boyd.
6. Prof. Herbert Fisher.
7. Dr. J. E. Wallace.
8. Mr. A. N. Johnson.
9. Miss Ola Walker.
10. Mrs. C. J. White.
11. Mr. C. T. Hume.
12. Dr. W. S. Ellington.
13. Dr. J. A. Lester.
14. Dr. C. V. Roman.
15. Miss A. M. Smith.
16. Dr. J. A. Sharp.
17. Mr. W. H. Steward.

18. Mr. Jos. L. Jones.
19. Mr. H. A. Boyd.
20. Mr. Stephen Gumede.
21. Dr. G. W. Allen.
22. Dr. E. A. Williams.
23. Dr. J. A. Hamlett.
24. Dr. J. T. Phillips.
25. Miss Beatrice Perry.
26. Mr. C. J. Perry.
27. Mr. S. W. Green.
28. Dr. F. A. McKenzie.
29. Miss Mattie Bolden.
30. Mr. D. P. Craig.



NEWSPAPER REPRESENTATIVES AT A. & I. STATE NORMAL.

National Negro Press Association representatives at the A. & I. State Normal. After they had been entertained at dinner by President and Mrs. W. J. Hale, at Nashville, Tenn.

1. Mr. J. B. Boyd.
2. Mr. C. T. Hume.
3. Mr. Jos. L. Jones.

4. Prof. W. J. Hale.
5. Rev. Hampton.
6. Dr. C. H. Parrish.
7. Mr. H. A. Boyd.
8. Rev. R. H. Boyd.
9. Mr. F. M. Roberts.
10. Dr. J. E. Wallace.
11. Dr. E. A. Williams.
12. Mr. A. N. Johnson.
13. Dr. J. A. Sharp.
14. Mr. D. P. Craig.

15. Mr. Stephen Gumede.
16. Dr. J. A. Lester.
17. Mr. W. H. Steward.
18. Miss Ola Walker.
19. Mr. C. J. Perry.
20. Miss Beatrice Perry.
21. Miss Mattie Bolden.
22. Mr. S. W. Green.
23. Mr. H. A. Boyd.
24. Miss A. M. Smith.
25. Mrs. C. J. White.

## DOUGLAS MEMORIAL EXERCISES

Nashville Citizens Observe Douglas' Birthday at Lea Avenue Christian Church

Notwithstanding the steady down-pour of rain, the citizens of Nashville gathered at Lea Avenue Church Wednesday night to observe the birthday of Fred Douglass. There was a splendid program rendered. The celebration was held under the auspices of the Colored Men's Clubs of this city and the City Federation of Women's Clubs. Arrangements for the holding of this celebration had been perfected some weeks ago by a special committee appointed by the Colored Men's Club, who were able to induce the representatives of the Lincoln Memorial Association and the City Federation to join in and hold one big celebration. Rev. Preston Taylor, the president of the Colored Men's Club, acted as master of ceremonies. The Lea Avenue church under the direction of Mrs. Taylor rendered splendid sections.

After devotional exercises, the master of ceremonies introduced Hon. J. C. Napier, ex-registrar of the United States Treasury and president of the National Negro Business League, who was the orator of the occasion, who delivered the principal address. Mr. Napier was a personal friend of the late Fred Douglass and for one hour he delivered one of the most interesting and entertaining addresses on the life of the late Fred Douglass that had ever been delivered. He reviewed the fact that Fred Douglass was well and favorably known in Nashville. He also reviewed two instances when Mr. Douglass was in Nashville. On one occasion he spoke at a special celebration and on another occasion he was here on a political mission. At each time he was given a hearty reception by the citizens of the city. The address was typewritten and

covered perhaps twenty pages of matter. One of the most interesting features of the address was excerpts taken from addresses delivered by Fred Douglass in '49 and '50, prior to the emancipation of the slaves, when he was on the platform opposing American slavery; and then excerpts taken from his speech in the interest of the Civil Rights Bill. At the conclusion of the program Mrs. Napier, the treasurer of the special committee of the National Federation, who is to hold the money for the memorial, explained the objects of the association, stating that the women were trying to raise fifteen thousand dollars to pay off the mortgage on the Douglass home and to beautify the fifteen acres which lie in close proximity to Washington, in Anacostia, D. C. Mrs. G. L. Jackson, the president of the City Federation of Women's Clubs, explained the work in connection with the city work. A public collection was taken. The amount of the collection showed the interest of the citizens in the movement. The ladies announced they would have another meeting at an early date to increase the funds.

Mrs. Eugene Johns, who has been sick for several weeks is convalescent.



REV. R. E. JONES, D. D., Editor South Western Advocate of New Orleans, La., who was in the city this week.

## NEGRO AS SOLDIER AND SAILOR

Congressman Hulbert of New York Delivers Address On the Negro As a Factor in the Army

"There are hundreds of white men in the United States who are willing and who are really standing up for equal justice and fair play to be administered to the Negro of this country. They are doing it without fear or favor. They have long since realized that the Negro when given an opportunity makes a worthy citizen. I thought to hand to the Nashville Globe a copy of a short talk made on the Negro as a soldier and a sailor, by Hon. Murray Hulbert, of New York. It was delivered in the House of Representatives at Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, September 6, 1916," declared Henry A. Boyd, of this city last week. The speech of Mr. Hulbert follows:

"Mr. Speaker, my attention has been called to a bill introduced at this session of Congress, which reads as follows:

A bill (H. R. 17183) to prevent the enlistment of Negroes in the military service of the United States.

Be it enacted, etc., That hereafter there shall not be enlisted or re-enlisted in the military service of the United States, either in the Army or Navy, any person of the Negro or colored race.

Sec. 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

It was a source of genuine satisfaction that a Secretary of War Bakewell expressed himself with respect thereto as follows:

My attention had not been before called to this bill, and, so far as I know, it has not been referred to this department for opinion. The purpose of the bill is to prevent the enlistment or re-enlistment of people of the colored race in the military service of (Continued on page 8.)

## PRESS ASS'N CLOSES 12th ANNUAL SESSION

Newspaper Representatives Finish Their Work in Nashville After Four Days Deliberation

C. J. Perry of Philadelphia Re-elected President—Meharry Medical College, Fisk, Roger Williams Universities, A. & I. State Normal Entertains Them

Nashville, Tenn.—After electing Chris J. Perry of Philadelphia, Pa., as president for the ensuing year, and after the transaction of much very important business, the National Negro Press Association adjourned the twelfth annual session sine die at two thirty o'clock Saturday. More interest was centered in the session just closed than in any meeting since the organization was revived at Louisville, twelve years ago. A larger representation of newspaper men was noticed when the regular session was called to order on Thursday morning in the Board rooms of the National Baptist Publishing House at Second Avenue, North and Locust Street. Preceding the regular session came an executive committee meeting and although Chairman Jones was absent, he was ably represented by President Perry. Nashville opened wide her gates and from the time the newspaper men and women began to arrive until they said their final good-bye at the station, they were in the hands of the local committee, whenever the sessions and the business of the representatives of the press would permit.

The first social feature of the meeting was the visit to Fisk University. This invitation was extended by President Dr. Fayette Avery McKenzie, who had made special plans to show the newspaper men the Fisk idea and the Fisk spirit. One hour and a half was spent at Fisk University. The student body under the direction of Prof. John Work, rendered many jubilee selections. An address was made by President McKenzie, which was followed by an address by President Perry and W. H. Steward, representing the press. Secretary Henry A. Boyd introduced each representative of the press and told what they were doing with their publications.

"A Visit to Roger Williams" was the next social feature. Under the personal escort of Dr. A. M. Townsend, the president of the university, the eight seven-passenger automobiles made a drive out the classic Cumberland to the university, where the student body awaited them. As the press representatives marched in they sang the Roger Williams Song. President Townsend delivered an address of welcome. Following this the corresponding secretary introduced Dr. E. A. Williams, of Cincinnati, the auditor, Mr. Stephen N. Gumede of Africa, and President Perry. One and a half hours were spent with the Roger Williams people. At each of the universities photographs were taken.

On the following day, Friday, after the morning session, the press representatives responded to an invitation to dine with President and Mrs. W. J. Hale. The big seven passenger automobiles were once more in service and the run from the National Baptist Publishing House to the A. & I. State Normal, which is located on Centennial Boulevard, was made in record breaking time. President Hale prepared this entertainment especially for the benefit of the press representatives. Prof. and Mrs. Hale as hosts at the Tennessee A. & I. State Normal School was the big feature of the session. A sumptuous repast was served in the president's dining room at his home on the campus. The following was the menu: Oyster soup, roast beef, cream peas, glazed sweet potatoes, hot rolls and butter, olives and pickles, Waldorf salad, ice cream, cake and coffee. After the members of the press had dined to their heart's content, they went to the chapel and the student body of the big state school marched in sections, carrying banners, emblems and inscriptions. Prof. N. W. Ryder and Miss Hazel Thompson conducted the singing. Then followed more speech-making after introductory remarks were indulged in. The press was represented by Rev. Charles H. Parrish of Louisville, Ky., W. L. Porter of Knoxville, Tenn., and Dr. J. A. Hamlett of Jackson, Tenn.

Meharry Medical College was the next stop. It was a motor drive across Nashville, from the extreme north to the extreme south, a distance of about six miles. Upon reaching Meharry, President Geo. W. Hubbard greeted the delegation. Dr. Marshall of the Dental Department conducted the singing. Welcome was given by President Hubbard, and then Jos. L. Jones, of Cincinnati, and Stephen N. Gumede, of South Africa, delivered the addresses. The response was made by Dr. C. V. Roman, representing Meharry. They were shown through the buildings and the hospital. They also viewed the Anderson Anatomical Building being erected.

On Friday night there was a spread given by the local committee of which Mr. A. N. Johnson was chairman and C. T. Hume, Secretary, at the Chantant, on 4th Avenue, North, and seeing Nashville was pulled off on Saturday after the adjournment of the Association. While the social functions took up much of the time of the press representatives, the business feature and the legislation that

the Association was able to do showed that they came prepared for hard work.

The report of the advertising committee and the work they plan, with the benefits to be derived from the standardized advertising, mean thousands of dollars in the course of the next two years to those papers who belong to the association. An able address on advertising was delivered by a representative of the Frost and Frost Agency. The demonstration of the stereotype plate service, how to procure and send out mats from which stereotypes can be made, which was exhibited by Dr. Boyd of the National Baptist Publishing House was one of the most interesting things of the session. A line on the code service and an order from the early publication of a real code to be used by the members of the Press Association was issued by President Perry and sustained by the Association. The reports of the Vigilance Committee, the Committee on the Ad dress to the Country, the Committee on Grievances were all well received, while a new standing committee known as the Committee on Foreign Relations was named. More than five hundred communications that had been sent into the corresponding secretary's office were given consideration. Several cases of misdirected or miscarried justice, where members of the race, were involved were reported. One special case was that of a man in Chicago recently brought up received the hearty endorsement of the Association, with a pledge of support. The Association commended in session the effort on the part of the National Federation of Women's Clubs to purchase the Douglass Home. It went on record as favoring not only the Lincoln Memorial but the Douglass Memorial Movement.

The Executive Committee's report embraced a multiplicity of activities on the part of the individual representatives belonging to the Association and it was agreed and understood that the motto of the Association should be paramount in their minds at all times. While nothing definite was done with regard to Executive Committee session to be held some time in August, it is understood (Continued on page 4.)

## LANE COLLEGE FARMERS CONFERENCE

Special to the Nashville Globe.

Jackson, Tenn., February 13. Among the big attractions of the Farmers Conference to be held in this city next week will be the coming of Rev. R. H. Boyd, D. D., Secretary of the National Baptist Publishing Board, located at Nashville, Tenn. It was learned today from Mr. W. W. Maddox and Prof. J. F. Lane that Dr. Boyd's coming had been assured. He is to deliver a special address to the Conference on Thursday night, February 22nd. In securing Dr. Boyd, President Lane declared that he was elated, because of Dr. Boyd's long experience and because of his accomplishment in building up such a gigantic plant for the Negro Baptists of the United States, which is located at Nashville. "While there is a Negro printing house located here operated under the C. M. E. Church, and while it is a Negro enterprise, it is not claimed to be in size the equal of that plant that Dr. Boyd has established, because the C. M. E. connection membership is not so large," declared Prof. Lane. An amusing demonstration has been arranged for Dr. Boyd, who will arrive on the afternoon train, Thursday. Then entire populace of this city irrespective of denominational affiliation or race conditions, is said to be preparing to turn out and greet him and listen to his address.

Besides Dr. Boyd, there will be on hand other men of large calibre to address the mass meetings that will be held at night during the Conference session. Among those men are: Bishop N. C. Cleveland, D. D., of the C. M. E. Church; Dr. S. A. O'Neal of Ky. and Mon. W. T. Vernon, ex-Register of the United States Treasury. Prof. T. M. Campbell a colored farm demonstrator of the United States Department of Agriculture, Director S. A. Roberts of the State Experiment Station, Hon. B. K. Bryson of the Department of Agriculture and Mr. Scott Bond, the Negro millionaire farmer are all expected to be present and speak to the masses upon some phase of health, agriculture, and religious life of the people.

Dr. J. F. Lane, who is the moving spirit of these conferences, is ever alert to make the work as helpful as possible. "Get some plan, some working principle, some improved notion to carry back home and put into execution on your own farm" he repeatedly admonishes the farmers, and he makes sure that the best things are brought to them so that they can take something helpful back home with them.